

**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In the **PATENT APPLICATION** of:

Pieroth et al.

**Application No.:** 10/568,989

**Confirmation No.:** 3597

**Filed:** February 21, 2006

For: LEAF-STRIPPING DEVICE,  
ESPECIALLY FOR VINES

**Group:** 3671

**Examiner:** Joan D. Misa

Our File: LBP-PT075  
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Date: May 21, 2009

**REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This Reply is responsive to the Office Action dated April 24, 2009, with a Restriction Requirement. Applicants hereby elect Group I, claims 1, 18, 20, 22-34 and 40, for prosecution on the merits. This election is made without traverse.

Please amend the application as indicated in detail below.